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**VOTE MONDAY ON  
FLEXIBLE TARIFF  
CLAUSE IN SENATE****Members Devote Recess to  
Lining Up Ballots on Crucial  
Question in Present Bill****SENATOR SIMMONS IS  
READY FOR ROLL CALL****Senator Sackett Says Issue Will De-  
cide Fate of Whole Schedule—  
Gillette Believes Some Method of  
Changing Unjust Rates Should Be  
Left Open—Hot Opposition to  
Plan Develops Among Democrats.**

Washington, Sept. 28 (AP)—The prospect of a vote Monday on the flexible tariff issue in the senate made today's recess merely an opportunity for members of the conferees to work harder than ever to line up their forces.

After four days of debate, followed by vigorous attacks by democrats and republican independents upon the administration's proposal to continue the flexible principle in effect with little change, the issue appeared so closely drawn that leaders of each group, while claiming a majority, predicted a very close vote.

**Ready for Roll Call**  
Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking democrat on the finance committee and leader of his party's attack on the republican proposal, expressed a willingness to have the roll called before the week-end recess was taken, but Chairman Sackett, leading the administration forces, preferred to have it go over, saying he hoped a vote could be taken Monday.

Countering Simmons' display of confidence in the result, Sackett said he believed at least six democrats would vote with the republicans regulars for the amendment. Sponsors, under which the president would continue, as he desired, to hold authority to raise or lower tariff rates as much as 50 per cent upon recommendation of the tariff commission.

Whether the Sackett proposal will be given priority in the voting was not clear today. Simmons, who had an amendment looking to repeal the flexible provision of the existing law pending, has introduced a substitute with a view to having it brought to a vote first.

**Substitute Offer**  
The substitute amendment would take away the president's power to change rates and authorize him to turn to congress for recommendations of the tariff commission.

An idea of the significance which some of the republican republicans attach to the outcome of the issue, meanwhile, has been given by Senator Sackett of Kentucky. Saying he would rather see the rates of the present law continued than have a new law enacted without continuing the flexible policy, he predicted:

"As long as the flexible provision, so long as the bill."

His objection, that the Simmons substitute proposal, if enacted, would open up the question of whether every time a rate change was recommended to congress by the tariff commission, was countered with a suggestion by Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, that the law be made to stipulate that no amendments could be introduced under such circumstances unless they have directly on the rate or rates under consideration.

**Gillette Favors Resolution**  
The Norris suggestion made a favorable impression on Senator Gillette, republican, Massachusetts, who had been arguing in favor of the Sackett proposal on the ground that "some machinery is necessary to correct inequalities inherent in every tariff law"—a point stressed in President Hoover's statement on the subject.

Support of the flexible principle of

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**BODY IS IDENTIFIED;  
MURDER SUSPECTED****Police Believe Portland  
Man Slain—No Rob-  
bery Found**

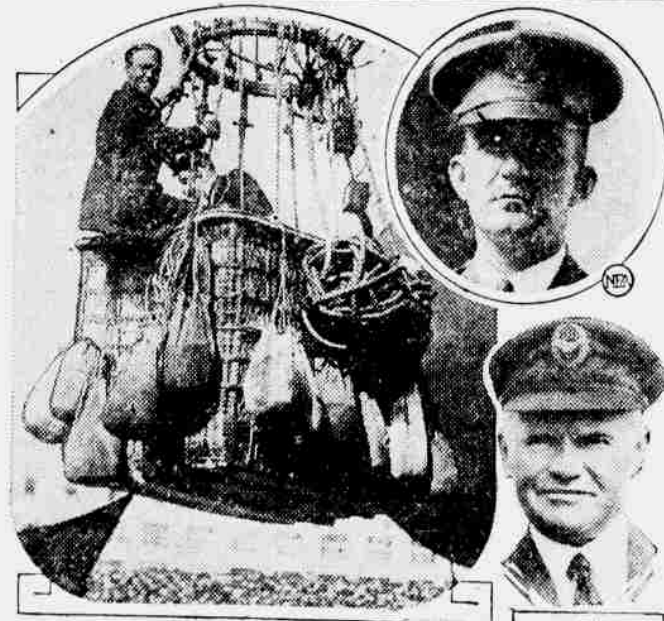
Portland, Me., Sept. 28 (AP)—The body of a man found on Hartley street last night with jaw and skull smashed, was identified early today by a neighbor as that of Roger Blum, also known as Roger R. Smith, 22 years old, of 49 George street. Police who had at first sought the man had met death through an automobile accident, later expressed the belief he had been slain.

Smith was a native of Portland and educated at Deering high school and the Portland School of Fine Arts.

The place where the body was found, lying face down, was in a loosely wooded section.

An examination by Insp. J. W. K. McGuire, and Medical Examiner Dr. Forrest Weeks, showed Smith's head had been badly crushed at the base of the skull.

Inspector McGuire said the pockets of the dead man's clothing showed no attempt to empty them, and he dismissed the possibility of a robbery theory to account for the slaying.

**They're in Big Balloon Race**

Some of the leading pilots in the annual Gordon Bennett International Balloon Race starting from St. Louis this afternoon are shown here. At the left, in the basket, is Ernest Demaree of Belgium; at the right, Captain William E. Keener, U. S. Army (above), winner of last year's race, and Hugo Kaufman, a German entrant; below, Lieutenant Thomas W. G. Settle, U. S. Navy (left) and Ward T. Van Orman, representing the Goodrich Tire and Rubber Company.

**NINE BALLOONS TO  
START RACE TODAY****International Contest Gets Under-  
Way Late This Afternoon****GORDON BENNETT CUP UP****18 Men, Pilot and Aide in Each  
Basket, Representing Six Nations,  
to Take Part—Last Year's Winner  
Entered.**

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 28 (AP)—The starting of the annual Gordon Bennett International Balloon Race, which will carry the flags of six nations into the air here for the third trophy offered to the winner of the Gordon Bennett International Balloon Race, is the 18th competition and the third to start from St. Louis.

The tiny wicker baskets attached to the huge bags with a mesh of ropes, will be borne for the 18 men while they are in the air. A radio beacon, set for each day's race, and ballast also will be in the baskets.

**Entry List**  
The entry list, in order of the take-off, German "Stahl Eisen" piloted by Erich Lindenberg, 52, a chemist by profession and balloonist for 20 years, Aldo, George F. French, 37.

American "Goodyear VIII" piloted by Ward T. Van Orman, twice winner of the Gordon Bennett race, Alen Macdonald, pilot.

Argentine "Argentine" piloted by E. Eduardo Bradley, 45, secretary of air navigation of Argentine. Aldo, Lucio, Francisco J. Chivalry, 21.

Danish "Danmark" piloted by Lieut. George Schenstrom, 25, secretary.

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**CLOCKS TO RETURN  
TO STANDARD TIME****City Returns to Normal  
Schedule at 2 A. M.****Tomorrow**

Today is the turning point of time. It is the end of daylight saving for 1929. While theoretically all watches and clocks, except those of the standard pattern which never changed will return to normal at 2 a. m. tomorrow, in actual fact most people will retrieve the missing hour prior to retiring for the night.

Flappers and their shocks have it all figured out that an extra hour in the front parlor tonight went count, because they will turn the clock back. The man of the house will get his extra forty winks to-morrow morning and still be able to fix that leaky faucet before church.

All church services will be held on standard time beginning tomorrow. Trolleys, buses and trains will be run in accordance with the standard time schedule. Only three changes on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad will effect New Britain.

Train leaving now at 7:47 a. m. will leave at 8:47, connecting at Berlin with the 9:08 train out of Berlin to New York. Train now leaving at 12:18 noon will leave at 12:48 connecting with the fast New York to Boston train by way of Willimantic at Hartford at 1:10 p. m. This train makes but three stops between New York and Boston, New Haven, Hartford and Putnam.

The train now leaving at 6:25 a. m. will leave at 7:25, according to information obtained at the railway station this morning, making connections for Boston at Hartford. This train comes through on the Waterbury branch.

All business places, schools, factories and other local institutions will return to operation on standard time either tomorrow or Monday.

**MACDONALD SAIL  
WITH DAUGHTER  
MIS****Premier Boards Berengaria on  
Trip to America to Interview  
President Hoover****DECLARES CONFERENCE  
IS MARK OF PROGRESS****Heavy Fog Delays Liner Somewhat  
in Leaving Dock—Leader Seems  
Very Tired When He Boards Boat  
—Lithel Declares She Is Only  
Taking Simple Outfit and "Hopes  
to Do Bit of Climbing."**

Southampton, England, Sept. 28 (AP)—Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald sailed on the Berengaria at 9:30 a. m. today for his peace mission to the United States.

A heavy fog delayed departure of the vessel, but the sun finally broke through the banks of mist and the Berengaria was able to proceed on its journey.

Macdonald and his daughter Lithel were in their cabins at the hour of sailing and only a few weaklings were on the dock to see the vessel slip away. Britain's farewell to its laborer premier was given last evening when he came from London to Southampton to board the liner.

**Sent Message to Paper**  
Prior to sailing, MacDonald sent a final message to the London Daily Herald, the organ of the British labor party. In this message he said: "I go to America as a humble missionary of peace inspired by the purpose which I have always cherished in my heart. My strong hope is that a complete agreement will be reached. I feel I have come here to realizing the great ambition of my life. That is, to assist in giving a practical and really effective expression to the world's desire for lasting peace."

**Occupies Imperial Suite**  
The labor premier occupied the imperial suite, which was originally built for Kaiser Wilhelm when the Berengaria was the Imperial, MacDonald's party included besides his daughter Lithel, Robert Gilbert Van Sittart, secretary to the prime minister; Thomas Jones, deputy secretary of the cabinet; R. L. Craigie, head of the American department of the foreign office; Lord Arnold, paymaster general, and the premier's personal secretary, Miss Rose Rosenberg. Lord Arnold accompanied the premier in no official capacity but merely as an old friend.

When MacDonald and his daughter Lithel stepped on the Berengaria they walked through a haze of white heather, chrysanthemums and evergreens, the path to their cabins being transformed into a resplendent garden in their honor.

**Remembers Hat**  
The premier's suite resembled a modern West End flat, consisting of a large bed room, a sitting room, a sun lounge, a bath room, a baggage room and a pantry. The walls of the sitting room were covered with rose colored silk damask, the furniture was covered with velvet and the bed room was decorated in empire style.

Lithel occupied a cabin on the opposite side of the ship. When newspaper men questioned her as to size

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**Where Premier Will Sleep**

This picturesque room in the White House—with its ornate high-backed bed built for Abraham Lincoln—is to be occupied by Premier Ramsay MacDonald of Great Britain during the time he is the guest of President Hoover in Washington. The bed, made in Springfield, Ill., at President Lincoln's special direction, is nine feet long and six feet wide and has been matched by the marble-top table shown in the foreground.

**COSTE-BELLONTE  
PLANE UNREPORTED  
PEACOCK CONVICTED  
BUT DODGES CHAIR****No Anxiety Felt, However, Since  
Craft Has No Radio****SHOULD COVER 2,500 MILES  
PALE AS JURY REPORTS****Flies May Land in Wild Part of  
Siberia—Remain Unheard of  
for Days—No Japanese Permit  
Granted.**

Le Bourgneuf, France, Sept. 28 (AP)—It all is well, according to Claude and Maurice Bellonte, in their last wireless message. The plane, which was equipped with a radio, is now on its way to Siberia today, bearing on into the vast in an effort to break the world's long distance flight record.

At 3:10 a. m. today, 21 hours had elapsed since the plane carried its great burden of fuel into the air at the Paris airport. Under favorable conditions the Bellonte plane should have covered 2,500 miles in that time. No reports have been received since the plane passed over Cologne, Germany, early yesterday, but little anxiety is felt because Coste, in his desire to take advantage of every available ounce of lifting power for fuel, stripped his machine of wireless equipment and the progress of his flight therefore can only be reported by ground observers.

**May Land in Remote Spot**  
As there are not numerous many parts of Russia and as several days might be required to reach even the nearest of the flight terminus, it is expected in some remote part of Siberia Coste and his companion may be out of touch with communications several days even after a landing is effected.

**May Be Lawbreaker**  
Tokyo, Sept. 28 (AP)—Macdonald Coste may fly off the way toward

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**HURRICANE TURNS TOWARD  
FLORIDA, LEAVING 20 DEAD  
AND BIG LOSS AT NASSAU****WHITE SLAVE RING  
BLAMED IN DEATH****No Less Than 50 Murders Laid  
to Vire War****MORE ARRESTS ARE MADE****United States Attorney Believes  
Ramsden Case Another of Gang  
Stagings—Round Up Several  
Women Witnesses.**

Boston, Sept. 28 (AP)—The investigation into the slaying here several weeks ago of Samuel Ramsden, New York racketeer, received added impetus today with the publication of a statement by Frederick H. Torr, United States district attorney, that at least 50 slayings in this state, Rhode Island, New York and Pennsylvania had been traced to the activities of the white slave ring, in which Ramsden was allegedly a leading figure.

**Three More Arrests**  
Three new arrests, two in this vicinity and one at Boston, Pa., swelled the ever-growing number of persons held in heavy bail in connection with one phase or another of the case.

Late last night federal operatives and city police paid a surprise visit to the Lake Pearl Manor at Wrentham, a hotel operated by one Jake Westerman, on a tip that Moe and Joe Newman, alleged Pennsylvania racketeers sought as the actual killers of Ramsden, were hiding out there. The Newman brothers were not found but the raiders picked up Mrs. Ida Stein, 35, alleged proprietor of a south end house, where Ramsden's sweetheart, Miss Miriam Westman, had lived.

The Wheeler girl, who comes from Baltimore, Md., and who posed as Ramsden's wife at the Hotel Huntington, where the racketeer was mysteriously slain, is at liberty under bail on a statutory release.

**Quizzed By Officials**  
Miss Stein, also known to police as Ida Brown, was taken to police headquarters here and quizzed by Frederick T. Doyle, assistant district attorney of Suffolk county, who has been in charge of the city investigation. Later she was arrested on a federal white slave charge and committed in default of \$10,000 bail.

The second arrest of the day here was that of Rex O'Brien, 25, who was taken into custody at the Hotel Washington by officers under direction of Hubert C. Thomson, assistant United States attorney, and after long questioning was released as a material witness to the Ramsden slaying. Probe did not divulge her supposed connection with the case.

The arrest at Boston was that of Miss Elizabeth Martin, of Cambridge, Pa., charged with conspiracy to violate the Mann act. Miss Martin only

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**RUSSIAN AVIATORS  
LAND AT SEWARD****"Land of Soviets" Reached  
Alaska, Two Hours  
Before Storm**

Seward, Alaska, Sept. 28 (AP)—Four Russian aviators, having completed their flight across the storm-infested north Pacific ocean, landed among their former countrymen here today while their plane, "The Land of Soviets," was being made ready for its next hop to Sitka. They are flying from Moscow to New York.

"The Land of Soviets" arrived here late yesterday from Dutch Harbor, Unalaska Island, two hours ahead of a storm. The 200 miles from Dutch Harbor was covered in 8 hours, 12 minutes. It was the Russian pilot's third landing on Alaskan soil, but their first contact with the mainland.

**Worst of Trip Over**  
With the completion of the crossing of the northern Pacific the three regarded the worst of their long flight as over. They made tentative plans to take off for Sitka, 522 miles distant, tomorrow. From there they will fly to Seattle and thence to New York by way of San Francisco and Chicago.

The Russians appeared first high over the mountain entrance to Resurrection bay here, darted down through a gorgeous rainbow, circled the city once and then came down to rest on the water near a buoy placed in the harbor as a mooring for the craft.

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**THE WEATHER**

New Britain and vicinity: Generally fair and somewhat warmer tonight; Sunday cloudy, probably followed by showers.

**High Winds, Approaching  
Gale Force, Lash  
Lower Coast of State—  
Bahamas City Reports  
Widespread Destruction  
in Path of Storm.****Barometer Falls Steadily  
at Fort Lauderdale—  
Cuba Fears Disturbance****Is Turning Toward Is-  
land—Everglades Dwell-  
ers Again Flee.**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Sept. 28 (AP)—Continuing with increasing velocity, high gale winds estimated at 60 miles an hour whipped the lower coast of Florida this morning. The barometer had steadily fallen off to 29.45.

Indications were that the same general condition was true north as far as Fort Pierce and south to Key West. Telephone communication between Miami and Key West were interrupted out by the telephone company.

**Palin Beach Has Calm**  
Palin Beach and the vicinity were experiencing high winds at 7 o'clock. The wind was gusty and hard to estimate, but it was in the gale class. The barometer was 29.68, a slight rise from two hours before.

Miami had an average 48 mile wind with the lowest barometer recorded along the coast. The reading at 7 o'clock was 29.47.

**Threatens Cuba**  
Miami, Fla., Sept. 28 (AP)—The tropical hurricane, which ravaged Nuevan with the most destructive lash in history, claiming at least 20 lives, forced a retreat today to the Florida Keys and northern Cuba.

After advancing southward for some distance from the Bahama channel where it left boats and buildings battered from a blow of more than 48 hours, the hurricane was reported by the weather bureau to be advancing westward through the Florida straits.

The fringes of the slowly moving storm center brought winds of gale force to Miami and the extreme southeast coast of Florida, throwing Miami and Miami Beach into total darkness last night. The waters of Biscayne Bay between the two cities were whipped into frenzy. No serious damage was reported and it was not believed any one was injured. Miami and environs had made extensive preparations for high winds.

**Keys Prepared for Blow**  
Emulating the example of their neighbors to the north, the populace of the Florida Keys battered down for a blow. Warmers were relayed to unsheltered keys. Many houses and stores were boarded up. Shipping was at a standstill in the reef anchorage.

News of the disaster at Nassau was many hours reaching the mainland. First word came in the form of a radio message from a ship in Nassau harbor after the city had

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**FLOOD WATERS STILL  
MENACE GEORGIA CITY****Crews Fight Battle With  
Elements Repairing  
Levee Leaks**

Augusta, Ga., Sept. 28 (AP)—While crews fought to repair two breaks in the levee protecting Augusta from nearby lowland communities from flood waters of the Savannah river, watchers along shore expressed grave fear today for the safety of river persons moored in a tree in this raging stream.

The five plunging to the tree for hours yesterday screaming for help the levee workers said, but when darkness hid them from view, the cries ceased.

Added concern was felt last night as the second break in the levee occurred near the business district. Earlier in the night the waters pounded a 20 foot crevasse in the river wall six miles down stream. City officials said the break near the city probably would be brought under control without serious damage. They believed the crevasse down stream would do little harm other than flood lowlands which already have been inundated.

The waters today had risen within three feet of the top of the dyke where it protects Augusta proper. Local weather officials said the crest apparently had reached its peak, and probably would begin falling soon.

Apprehension of further rise still prevailed, however, as the Washington weather bureau forecast additional rains for Georgia and South Carolina, which it feared might send more flood waters down from the upper river watershed.

**THIS WEEK'S AFFAIRS . . . . . by Knight**